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SUBJECT : TOURE ESCALATES ATTACKS ON SENGHOR, HOUPHOUET,
REFERS TO AMERICAN "IMPERIALISM"

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1. AT SEPTEMBER 11 SPEECH TO MASS MEETING, BROADCAST ON RADIO, PRESIDENT TOURE CASTIGATED HOUPHOUET AND SENGHOR AS PUPPETS, PRACTITIONERS OF SOUTH AFRICAN RACIST POLICIES, THIEVES, LIARS, FRIENDS OF ISRAEL, TRAITORS TO AFRICA AND THEIR PEOPLE. TOURE URGED STUDENTS AND ARMED FORCES IN THE IVORY COAST AND SENEGAL TO REACT. HE URGED GUINEAN PEOPLE TO RECITE MUSLIM PRAYERS TO BRING DOWN NEIGHBORING LEADERS. HE MADE SEVERAL REFERENCES TO THEIR EVENTUAL DEFEAT AND DEATH. "THEY ARE MORALLY AND POLITICALLY DEAD AND WE AWAIT THEIR PHYSICAL DEATHS."

2. AT THE BEGINNING OF HIS SPEECH TOURE ATTACKED THE US AS THE PERSONIFICATION OF IMPERIALISM IN VIET NAM AND CUBA, WHILE FRANCE PLAYS THE SAME ROLE IN GUINEA.

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3. A SIMILAR RALLY IS SET FOR SEPTEMBER 12.

4. COMMENT: EVEN THOUGH THIS SPEECH WAS TO CONAKRY MASSES, IT WOULD BE LOGICAL FOR HOUPHOUET AND SENGHOR TO TAKE SOME QUIET MEASURES, SUCH AS BORDER CONTROLS REPORTED REFTTEL, TO INSURE THAT NO GUINEANS, IVORIANS, OR SENEGALESE TRY TO TRANSLATE TOURE'S REVOLUTIONARY RHETORIC INTO ACTION.

5. THIS WAS FIRST DIRECT ATTACK ON US IN RECENT MONTHS. ONE LIKELY FUTURE THEME WILL BE ACCUSATIONS OF US ROLE IN RECENT CHILEAN EVENTS, PARTICULARLY IF CUBANS ENCOURAGE HIM. TOURE LOOKS AND ACTS AS IF HE UNDER PARTICULAR PRESSURE IN RECENT WEEKS, BUT OTHER THAN THE HIGHLY-QUESTIONABLE DOCUMENTS PUBLISHED BY THE GOG THE EMBASSY SEES NO SIGN THAT THE POLITICAL SITUATION HAS DETERIORATED FURTHER AND NO SIGN THAT ANY OF THE DOMESTIC OR EXILE DISSIDENTS HAVE ANY INCREASED CAPABILITY TO TOPPLE TOURE.
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